MANISTEE CITY PLANNING COMMISSION

70 Maple Street Manistee, MI 49660

WORKSESSION NOTES

November 18, 1999

A Worksession of the Manistee City Planning Commission was held on Thursday, November 18, 1999 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers, City Hall 70 Maple Street

MEMBERS PRESENT: Ray Fortier, Kristie Harless, John Lakos, Phil Picardat, Tim Stefanick

MEMBERS ABSENT: Bob Hornkohl, John Serocki, Tony Slawinski, Roger Yoder

OTHERS PRESENT: Denise Mikula (City of Manistee), and Jon R. Rose (Community

Development)

Worksession began at 7:00 p.m.

MATTERS PERTAINING TO THE GENERAL CITIZENRY:

None

WORKSESSION:

Master Plan

Review of Section 2A Historic Resources:

This section will be referred to Steve Harold at the Museum for updating. Do we need this much history? Would it be better to reference other updated material and just have a half a page or one page that gives a historical overview?

Review of Section 2B Problems and Opportunities:

This section was originally done by the Planning Commission. The survey that was done did not receive enough response to be used. The Census Data for this portion was from the 1980 Census - 20 years old.

To update this section we can use survey information results from the current survey that is being done. We can also use a facilitator to gather information from the public meetings.

Review of Section 2C Landforms and Environment:

This section appears to have ignored the area south of the river that has a lot of clay. A lot of maps were used in this section. Discussed the need of maps and what would be an appropriate number of maps. Will use GIS to generate maps for the new plan.

Review Section 2D Population and Land Use:

The projections showed an increase in population with the 1990 Census revealing a population of 6,734 which was another decline in population. The Land Use acreage portion of this section will be updated by using GIS.

Review of Section 2E Vacant Land Use Inventory:

Will need to be updated. Will ask the City Assessor for information that has been gathered in the assessing department. Also Denis Johnson updated on a paper about 4 years ago. With this information we will have a good base to update this portion.

Overview:

Jon Rose said that reviewing the master plan will allow the members to become familiar with the plan and ask some questions as we go along. A consultant will be hired to assist in updating the plan so at this time we do not need to rewrite each section as it is reviewed. Specific concerns will be reflected in the notes from each review.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business the worksession closed at 7:45 p.m.

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Denise J. Mikula, Acting as Secretary